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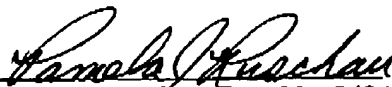
Dear Sir,

The applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication of allowance of the application claims and submits the following comments in response to the reasons for allowance set forth in the Paper No./Mail Date 022404:

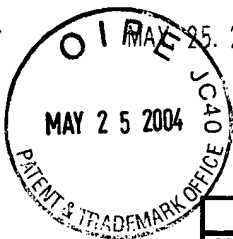
Comments

The applicant specifically notes that other elements of independent claims 1 and 56 likewise present independent bases for allowance of the same. Similarly, elements of dependent claims 2-55 and 57-58, and claims 59-60, both alone and in combination with the elements of independent claims 1 and 56, respectively, likewise present independent bases for allowance thereof.

Respectfully submitted,


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